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Felon Pleads to Assaulting Officers

A felon charged with shooting at two LAPD officers who were responding to an assault call in February pleaded today, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Cliff A. Gershowitz, 50, pleaded to two counts of assault with a deadly weapon on a peace officer and one count of attempted murder, said Deputy District Attorney Garrett Dameron.

Gershowitz, who also admitted the firearm and prior conviction allegations, will be sentenced to 49 years, four months in state prison when he returns May 7 for sentencing before Superior Court Judge Leslie Dunn.

Gershowitz admitted shooting at a male acquaintance during a Feb. 10 argument in the 7100 block of Yolanda Avenue.

When Los Angeles police officers responded to that assault call, Gershowitz opened fire on them.

One officer was struck in the arm, treated and released from the hospital. The other officer was not injured.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](#) prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.